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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims

Please replace claims 1-6, 8-17, and 19-23 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.

1. (Twice amended) An interior lining component for a vehicle roof comprising at least one decorative layer forming a facing of the interior lining component, an intermediate layer covered by said decorative layer, and at least one support layer, characterized in that the support layer comprises at least one lower and one upper foam panel which are interconnected by pressing.

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